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Press Release

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On Thursday, August 30, 2012 at 7:00 am, Indian Hills Road at 60th Avenue NW will be closed to through traffic for approximately 35 days to allow the reconstruction of the intersection. The temporary detour for all traffic that previously used Indian Hills Road will be either Franklin Road or SW 164th Street (Oklahoma City) between 48th Avenue NE and 72nd Avenue NW. Signs will be placed accordingly to direct the traveling public.

The 60th Avenue NW Project from Tecumseh Road to Indian Hills Road (2 miles) is a \$5.7 million street improvement project administered by the Oklahoma Department of Transportation on behalf of the City of Norman. Construction of the project began on Monday, February 6, 2012. The prime contractor is Silverstar Construction of Moore, OK. The local engineering firm of EST, Inc. is providing construction oversight and field inspection services. This entire project will be substantially completed and open to traffic in November 2012.

Upon completion, 60th Avenue NW will be a 4-lane rural highway with paved shoulders. A new traffic signal will be installed at the intersection of 60th Avenue NW and Indian Hills Road. Significant storm drainage improvements will also take place as part of this project including replacement of the Ten Mile Flat Creek bridge. Over the next two years, the City of Oklahoma City will make similar improvements to Western Avenue between Indian Hills Road and 134th Street (State Highway 37). When both projects are completed, five (5) miles of Western Avenue/60th Avenue NW will be improved to highway standards, thereby improving traffic flow and traffic safety in this part of Norman and Oklahoma City.

Additional questions may be directed to Mr. Josh Malwick, City of Norman Capital Projects Engineer, at (405) 366-5454.